The "E-Teacher" Scholarship Program offered by the Regional English Language Office of the U.S. Embassy in New Delhi is designed to improve the quality of English language teaching throughout the world. Participants are English teaching professionals who receive instruction in U.S. methods of English Language teaching via distance education. Participants use innovative distance learning technology to interact with U.S. experts.

We anticipate the following course offerings for both the U.S. Fall (October 1- December 7,2012), Winter (January 7-March 15, 2013), Spring (April 1-June 7, 2013) and Summer Terms (June 24-August 30, 2013):

- Introduction to Pedagogy and Practices for Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL Methods)
- Critical Thinking in Language Learning and Teaching (CT)
- Assessment: Summative and Formative Practices in Language Learning and Teaching
- Building Teaching Skills Through the Interactive Web (Web Skills)
- English for Specific Purposes, Aligning Context with Practices and Materials (ESP)
- Special Education and Differentiated Instruction in EFL Contexts (SpEd TEFL)
- Teaching English to Young Learners (TEYL)
- Listening and Speaking Skills, Real-Time Practice and Application. [formerly ATDOP]
- Introduction to Online Learning

# (Please read the attached word document with the description of each course before you choose E-Teacher course you would like to do).

**Recruitment:** Candidates for "E-Teacher" Scholarships should be teacher trainers or teachers who are working, or plan to work, with one of the seven subjects covered by the courses. They should be highly motivated individuals who are dedicated both to their own professional development and to sharing the knowledge gained with colleagues through workshops or professional presentations.

For selection, we highlight the importance of the following requirements:

- (a) Level of English necessary for a typical university-level course at American universities
- (b) Regular and dependable access to the Internet
- (c) Basic familiarity with the Internet and web browsers
- (d) <u>Commitment to spend the necessary 10-15 hours/week throughout the 10-week course</u>

**Course materials** will include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) downloadable or posted syllabi, assignments, and course readings;
- (b) asynchronous and some synchronous contact between instructor and participants, between other experts and participants, and among participants;
- (c) lectures via real-time, text, or audio-enhanced text;
- (d) use of a bulletin board to post notes, assignments, feedback, etc.;
- (e) information on additional web-based resources.

#### Course fees:

The scholarship which the Regional English Language Office, New Delhi, will award covers tuition fees and material costs.

## Other important aspects:

- all courses will include an evaluation component;
- participants who successfully complete the course will receive two certificates.

### **IMPORTANT:**

Participants must have 10-15 hours per week to dedicate to coursework, as there will be different assignments to be developed during the module. These are online courses and we will only nominate candidates who are committed to working through that system. Scholarship recipients should also be willing to disseminate what they have learned after finishing the course, so that we have a multiplying effect with the program. We encourage teachers who work with government institutions to apply for this scholarship.

## **ACTION REQUIRED:**

In order to nominate yourself for this professional development opportunity, you need to send completed copy of the attached application form to <a href="mailto:KhannaS@state.gov">KhannaS@state.gov</a> <a href="mailto:before Friday">before Friday</a>, July 27, <a href="mailto:2012">2012</a>. Since we have limited seats for this course, submitting a nomination for this program will \*not\* guarantee you a seat.